GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
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Identification of Tourist Circuits in Swadesh Darshan Scheme
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified the Tourist Circuits/Destinations under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme;
(b) if so, the details thereof; and
(c) the status of tourists circuits along with the list of operational circuits?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Tourism has launched the Swadesh Darshan scheme in the year 2014-15 with a vision to develop theme based tourist circuits on the principles of high tourist value, competitiveness and sustainability in an integrated manner by synergizing efforts to focus on needs and concerns of all stakeholders to enrich tourist experience and enhance employment opportunities. Under the scheme thirteen thematic circuits have been identified for development, namely: North-East India Circuit, Buddhist Circuit, Himalayan Circuit, Coastal Circuit, Krishna Circuit, Desert Circuit, Tribal Circuit, Eco Circuit, Wildlife Circuit, Rural Circuit, Spiritual Circuit, Ramayana Circuit & Heritage Circuit.

The details of projects sanctioned till date under the scheme are annexed.

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